Why should you be concerned about updating Pennsylvania's vertical reference system?



Because accurate monuments are needed to support floodplain mapping updates and surveys B



Because many benchmarks have been destroyed C



Because accurate monuments will provide a consistent spatial reference system within the national framework D



Because accurate monuments may be used to monitor subsidence from mining and karst topography

The answer is E, all of the above. For these reasons and many others, PENNDOT and the National Geodetic Survey are sponsoring the **Pennsylvania Height Modernization Users Forum** to inform you about the federal government's initiative for height modernization throughout the country. This information is important for anyone interested in accurate elevations, subsidence, flooding, and safe navigation by air and water.

What will be discussed at the users forum?

Description of the National Height Modernization Program and its benefits

Explanation of how height modernization can benefit Pennsylvanians

Case studies of successful height modernization projects

Where will it be?

USGS Conference Room 215 Limekiln Road New Cumberland, PA

When will it be held?

Friday July 16, 2004 8:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. Welcome Reception 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Users Forum

Because the event is *free* and seating is limited, you must notify us in advance if you plan to attend.

Please email your RSVP (and any questions you may have) to Brad Foltz at lbfoltz@state.pa.us by July 2!

Feel free to forward this announcement to anyone else you think would be interested in attending this event.